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TO AMEMBASSY OUAGADOUGOU

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SUBJECT: MISSION TO THE SAHEL

1. UN SPECIAL SAHELIAN OFFICE, UNDER DIRECTION OF UN UNDERSECRETARY FOR POLITICAL AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY AFFAIRS, PLANS TO SEND MISSION TO THE SAHEL, COVERING INTERVAL NOVEMBER 19 THROUGH ABOUT DECEMBER 18. MISSION IS TO BE FACT-FINDING ONE, 285# 9?3:58;3 9* - :345-8,- ING PROJECT AREAS IN WHICH UN CAN BE HELPFUL. MISSION TO BE LED BY ROBERT STEINER. STEINER HAS BEEN BRIEFED BY AID'S ED FEI WITH REGARD AID PROPOSALS EVOLVING FROM RECENTLY ROMPLETED AID SAHELIAN TASK FORCE STUDY.
 2. TENTATIVE PLAN IS FOR STEINER TO ARRIVE IN CHAD ON NOVEMBER 19 (NO OTHER MISSION PERSONNEL WILL BE WITH HIM). ON NOVEMBER 26 STEINER PLANS TO BE IN OUAGADOUGOU, WHERE OTHER MEMBERS OF MISSION WILL JOIN HIM. NEXT DATES ARE UNCERTAIN, BUT SEQUENCE AFTER OUAGADOUGOU IS NIGER, MALI, SENEGAL AND MAURITANIA.
 3. IN ADDITION TO SETINER, MISSION EXPECTED TO
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COMPRIES AGRONOMIST TEUNISSEN (FAO ROME) , LIVESTOCK

SPECIALIST REJNTENS (FAO ROME), TRANSPORT ECONOMIST
HENRI (UN ECA, NOW IN NIAMEY), GROUNDWATER SPECIALIST
DIJON (UN ESA, NOW IN THE SUDAN), AND A HEALTH
OFFICER FROM WHO NOT YET NAMED. STEINER IS A PROFESSIONAL
AGRICULTURAL ECONOMIST.

4. UN SPECIAL SAHELIAN OFFICE HAS ASKED USUN CONTACT
US EMBASSIES IN THE SAHEL TO ADVISE THEM OF VISIT.

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